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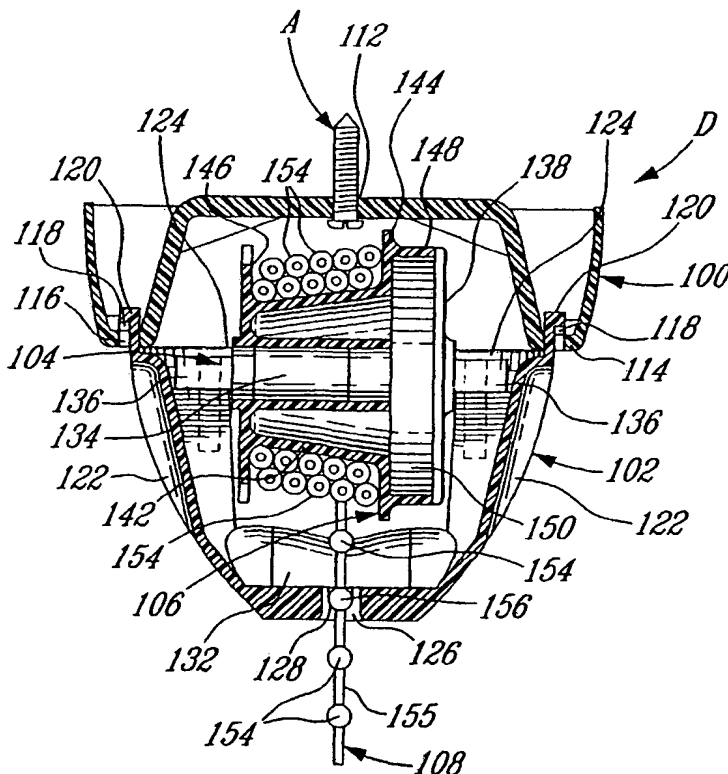
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(57) Abstract: A vertically adjustable fixture (H,H',D), such as a ceiling hook, adapted to be secured to an overhead surface, e.g. a ceiling (C), comprises a base member (10, 10', 100/102) adapted to be secured to the ceiling (C), a cable (14, 14', 100/102), and a hook (12, 12', 110) at a low end of the cable (14, 14', 108) and adapted to be connected to an article such that the article may be suspended from the ceiling. The base member includes a base (100) mounted to the ceiling and a cover (102) attachable to the base (100). An extension/retraction mechanism provided in the cover (102) includes a fixed axle (104) and a reel (106) rotatable around the axle (104), with a spring force existing therebetween.

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